In the United States Court of Federal Claims

OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS No. 21-0426V UNPUBLISHED

RICHARD LAMPORT,

Petitioner.

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SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,

Respondent.

Chief Special Master Corcoran

Filed: May 24, 2023

Special Processing Unit (SPU); Ruling on Entitlement; Concession; Table Injury; Influenza (Flu) Vaccine; Shoulder Injury Related to Vaccine Administration (SIRVA)

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Rachelle Bishop, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC, for Respondent.

RULING ON ENTITLEMENT¹

On January 8, 2021, Richard Lamport filed a petition for compensation under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, 42 U.S.C. §300aa-10, et seq.² (the "Vaccine Act"). On August 13, 2021, Petitioner filed an amended petition. Petitioner alleges that he suffered a shoulder injury related to vaccine administration ("SIRVA") resulting from an influenza ("flu") vaccine received in his left shoulder on September 10, 2020. Amended Petition at 1. Petitioner further alleges that the vaccine was administered in the United States, his vaccine-related injuries have lasted longer than six months, and he has not filed a civil action or received compensation in the form of an award or

¹ Because this unpublished Ruling contains a reasoned explanation for the action taken in this case, it must be made publicly accessible and will be posted on the United States Court of Federal Claims' website, and/or at https://www.govinfo.gov/app/collection/uscourts/national/cofc, in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002. 44 U.S.C. § 3501 note (2018) (Federal Management and Promotion of Electronic Government Services). **This means the Ruling will be available to anyone with access to the internet.** In accordance with Vaccine Rule 18(b), Petitioner has 14 days to identify and move to redact medical or other information, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy. If, upon review, I agree that the identified material fits within this definition, I will redact such material from public access.

² National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986, Pub. L. No. 99-660, 100 Stat. 3755. Hereinafter, for ease of citation, all section references to the Vaccine Act will be to the pertinent subparagraph of 42 U.S.C. § 300aa (2018).

settlement for his vaccine-related injuries. Amended Petition at ¶¶ 6, 26-28. The case was assigned to the Special Processing Unit of the Office of Special Masters.

On May 23, 2023, Respondent filed his Rule 4(c) report in which he concedes that Petitioner is entitled to compensation in this case. Respondent's Rule 4(c) Report at 1. Specifically, Respondent agrees that "petitioner has satisfied the criteria set forth in the Vaccine Injury Table and the Qualifications and Aids to Interpretation for SIRVA." *Id.* at 8-9. Respondent further agrees that "the records show that petitioner timely filed his case, that he received the flu vaccine in the United States, and that he satisfies the statutory severity requirement by suffering the residual effects or complications of his SIRVA for more than six months after vaccine administration." *Id.* at 9.

In view of Respondent's position and the evidence of record, I find that Petitioner is entitled to compensation.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Brian H. Corcoran
Brian H. Corcoran
Chief Special Master